# **FISCAL NOTE**

## SB 1541 - HB 1171

April 18, 1997

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Requires all WIC employees under contract with the Department of Health as clerks and nutritionists to be transferred by December 31, 1997, to state positions for which such persons are on the register.

#### **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

### **Increase State Expenditures - Not Significant**

#### Assumes:

- the establishment of up to 150 new positions for WIC contract employees transferring December 31, 1997 to become state employees performing WIC services and granted all creditable service for longevity and additional benefits not currently covered through contractual agreements.
- bill does not mandate the hiring of contract employees who are not reachable on civil service registers.
- bill includes only 150 contract employees now providing specific WIC services for the Department of Health.
- existing federal funds used for such contracts are sufficient to fund a similar state position. Such contracts contain funds for indirect costs which should be sufficient to fund longevity and benefits, according to the Department of Health.

#### **CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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